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UNDER CIVIL SERVICE.

Washington, Nov. 16.—It is likely that before March 4 President Taft will sign an order placing the clerks, stenographers, employees of all the government navy yards of the country, under civil service. This order has been given publicity by Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Mr. W. H. Thompson, who has direct charge of the navy yards. The labor organizations representing the navy yards petitioned through their national organizations, as well as the American Federation of Labor, to be placed under the civil service. The government is in accordance with the wishes of the employees and the organizations affected in the navy yards. "There is difficulty, however," says Secretary Thompson, "in the way of carrying out the plan at once, or in the very near future, for the reason that it will be difficult to frame rules for the conduct of the yards under civil service. There are so many different classes of men to take into consideration, such as the machinists, patternmakers, boilermakers, plumbers, and others, that much thought must be given to the problem. It will be necessary to evolve some sort of a regulation that will not put new men coming into the yards being fairly treated. As a new man, they are not coming in with a sort of 'first come, first served' method, although the government has a right to place the best of the new men applying for vacancies. The position where they also will be among those who have first chance." The commandants of all the navy yards of the country, who gathered in Washington recently for a general conference on the subject of navy yard administration, unanimously recommended that the employees of the yards be placed under civil service, and the recommendation was the unanimous act of the commandants.

LABOR WILL BE ACTIVE.

Washington, Nov. 16.—At the opening of the short session of Congress, which will occur in the early part of December, the American Federation of Labor is actively making preparations for the event of securing a large number of new members in the country. The organization is making the best use of the time, and the recommendation was the unanimous act of the commandants.

TEAMSTERS WIN.

Des Moines, Iowa, Nov. 16.—The union teamsters of this city, to the number of 150, have won a strike which has lasted one month. The teamsters are to get an advance in wages of from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per week, and the strike was won. The strike resulted beneficially to all organizations in the city, and the union teamsters are to get an advance in wages of from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per week, and the strike was won.

SHINGLE WEAVERS.

Seattle, Nov. 16.—Many of the shingle mills in Washington, Michigan and Wisconsin are closing down for the season. This fact reflects the campaign of organization which has been among the shingle weavers for some time. Owing to the fact that the Ballard, Washington, shingle mills have resumed operation after a month's closure, organization work among shingle weavers of Labor there again has been revived.

UNION LABEL BUTTER.

Great Falls, Mont., Nov. 16.—For a considerable number of years a local dairy company has been endeavoring to secure the union label for its milk. The company has been unable to do so, but owing to the fact that no organization existed in this industry the label could not be secured. Finally the matter was taken up by a local organizer and a federal labor union was organized and chartered by the American Federation of Labor. As a result of the organization of the people employed by the dairy company, an advance in wages was secured, working hours established at eight, and overtime to be paid whenever it was necessary to work longer than eight hours. The organization was completed, and the wages and hours and conditions of employment were finally agreed to in an application was made for the use of the American Federation of Labor union label. The company in question has been granted the use of the label, and so far as known this dairy company is the only one to use the union label upon butter.

LABOR MAN IN SENATE.

Washington, Nov. 16.—In 1906 when the American Federation of Labor was inaugurated its policy of securing the election of its members to Congress was not only able to secure the election of any union man to the United States Senate, but it was able to secure the election of any union man to the United States House of Representatives. This policy, however, of the American Federation of Labor has been crowned with a great degree of success, in that there has been an increase in the representation of card men in Congress since the first year of its existence. Thus in the year 1906, the first year of the labor group in the House of Representatives, there were only two members of the labor group in the House of Representatives. In the year 1912, the year of the labor group in the House of Representatives, there were 10 members of the labor group in the House of Representatives. This increase in the representation of card men in Congress is due to the fact that the labor group in the House of Representatives has been able to secure the election of its members to Congress. This is due to the fact that the labor group in the House of Representatives has been able to secure the election of its members to Congress.

CAMPAIGN DOPE AT PAR.

Utica, N. Y., Nov. 16.—The campaign of the American Federation of Labor in the campaign just closed, made their political bluntness so attractive, in that it was true to the fact that certain candidates were not elected all the while the labor group in the House of Representatives was able to secure the election of its members to Congress. This is due to the fact that the labor group in the House of Representatives has been able to secure the election of its members to Congress.

LABEL TRADES DEPARTMENT.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 16.—The Label Trades Department convened its annual meeting at the Hotel Hamilton in Rochester, N. Y., on November 15. The meeting was held in the afternoon, and the members of the department were present. The meeting was held in the afternoon, and the members of the department were present.

RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT.

Worcester, Mass., Nov. 16.—The members of Division No. 2, of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, have just been elected to the office of president. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the division were present. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the division were present.

WAGE INCREASE RUMOR.

New York, Nov. 16.—There has been a rumor current in this city that the Board of Arbitration which has been investigating the demands of the engineers of the New York Central Railroad, has decided to recommend a wage increase of 10 percent. This rumor has been spread by the labor organizations, and it is being taken seriously by the railroad company.

CIGARMAKERS GET RAISE.

Chicago, Nov. 16.—International President of the Cigar Makers' Association, John J. Connelley, has just been elected to the office of president. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the association were present. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the association were present.

NEW STREET CAR UNION.

Marshalltown, Iowa, Nov. 16.—A revival of trade union sentiment is on here. Recently the men operating the street cars in Marshalltown, Iowa, have organized and secured a charter. The street car company has granted the charter, and the union is now in operation.

RAILWAY CARMEN.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 16.—The members of the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen employed by the Missouri Pacific Railroad, have just secured a satisfactory schedule and the agreement was reached. The agreement was reached after a long and hard fight, and the members of the union are now satisfied.

AMALGAMATED GLASS WORKERS.

New York, Nov. 16.—The Amalgamated Glass Workers International Association has organized a local union of local glass workers in New York City. The union is now in operation, and the members are working for better conditions.

LABOR GROUP IN SIXTY-THIRD CONGRESS WILL BE AUGMENTED BY TWO

Washington, Nov. 16.—Unofficial reports are to the effect that the labor group in Congress has been augmented by two additional members. Unofficially two of the labor group were defeated in the recent congressional election. The labor group in Congress has been augmented by two additional members, and the group is now larger than ever before. The labor group in Congress has been augmented by two additional members, and the group is now larger than ever before.

UNITED STATES SENATE.		
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.		
William Hughes,	Textile Workers' Union, New Jersey,	Democrat.
Isaac R. Sherwood,	Typographical Union, Ohio,	Democrat.
Samuel McDermott,	Telegraphers' Union, Illinois,	Democrat.
Frank Buchanan,	Coal Miners' Union, Maryland,	Democrat.
David J. Lewis,	Telegraphers' Union, Wisconsin,	Democrat.
William J. Cary,	Typographical Union, New York,	Democrat.
John R. Parr,	Hatters' Union, New York,	Democrat.
James P. Smith,	Telegraphers' Union, Nevada,	Democrat.
Charles B. Maher,	Blacksmiths' Union, California,	Democrat.
E. E. Roberts,	Metal Miners' Union, Colorado,	Democrat.
John I. Nolan,	Ironmolders' Union, Ohio,	Democrat.
Edward Keating,	Typographical Union, Pennsylvania,	Democrat.
John A. Key,	Stenographers' Union, Washington,	Democrat.
John J. Casey,	Plumbers' Union, Pennsylvania,	Democrat.
Albert Johnson,	Street Carmen's Union, Washington,	Democrat.
G. T. Helvering,	Typographical Union, Kansas,	Democrat.

*Unofficially reported.

METAL TRADES DEPARTMENT.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 16.—The convention of the Metal Trades Department opened in this city on November 8 and continued until the 15th. The convention was held in the afternoon, and the members of the department were present. The convention was held in the afternoon, and the members of the department were present.

WILLING TO SETTLE.

London, Oct. 16.—A local clothing firm has made overtures to the local central body for the purpose of securing the union label. The firm is willing to make all the reasonable demands of the label is restored. The firm is willing to make all the reasonable demands of the label is restored.

COMPARES TWO COUNTRIES.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 16.—In speaking of the comparative conditions of labor in England and in this country, the members of the Metal Trades Department were heard to say that the conditions in England were much better than in this country. The members of the department were heard to say that the conditions in England were much better than in this country.

TRADE UNIONISTS IN COLORADO MAKE A RECORD THAT IS UNPARALLELED

Denver, Colo., Nov. 16.—If the record of the trade unionists in every other State in the Union equal that of this State, the action of the coming Legislature will be reflected in the laws enacted. There will be no doubt that the trade unionists in Colorado have made a record that is unparalleled. The trade unionists in Colorado have made a record that is unparalleled.

ASK NEW SCHEDULE.

New York, Nov. 16.—It is stated that the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen representing the fifty-two railroads east of Chicago, will receive shortly the demand for a new schedule of wages. The demand is for a new schedule of wages, and the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen is asking for a new schedule of wages.

"FLINTS" SEATED.

Rochester, Nov. 16.—The Flint Glass Workers' Union was granted a charter by the executive council recently, in connection with former Flint Glass Workers' Union. The union was granted a charter by the executive council recently, in connection with former Flint Glass Workers' Union.

A BANNER UNITE.

London, Oct. 16.—The local cigar-makers' union is the largest organization of the craft in Canada. It has a membership of 1,000 men, and it is the largest organization of the craft in Canada. It has a membership of 1,000 men, and it is the largest organization of the craft in Canada.

EX-FRATERNAL DELEGATE III.

New York, Nov. 16.—G. H. Roberts, former delegate from the British Trade Unionists to the American Federation of Labor, has been elected to the office of delegate. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present.

REFUSE TO HEAR ROBINS.

Pittsburgh, Nov. 16.—The members of the committee of the city council having under consideration the new ordinance providing for the election of city council members, refused to hear the testimony of Robins. The members of the committee refused to hear the testimony of Robins, and the ordinance was passed without his testimony.

BEAT PRIVATE SHIPYARDS.

Washington, Nov. 16.—The tradition regarding the slowness of navy yard work has been smashed by the New York Navy Yard in the construction of the big battleship New York. The progress reported on that vessel has been advancing at a rapid rate, and it is expected that the battleship will be completed in a much shorter time than the others.

SUED FOR LARGE SUM.

Charleston, W. Va., Nov. 16.—Seven men asking damages in the aggregate of \$20,000 from the United States Federal Court for the Southern District of West Virginia against non-resident officers of the United States Army, have been sued. The men are asking damages from the United States Federal Court for the Southern District of West Virginia.

ST. PAUL MINN. NOV. 16.—At the last session of the legislature of this State a special committee of senators was appointed for the purpose of investigating the conditions of the coal mines in this State.

FRATERNAL DELEGATES.

Washington, Nov. 16.—The Fraternal Delegates from the British Trade Unionists to the American Federation of Labor, have just been elected to the office of delegate. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present.

SEPTEMBER IMMIGRATION.

Washington, Nov. 16.—The Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization, Department of Commerce and Labor, has just issued its September Immigration Bulletin. The bulletin contains the results of the immigration for the month of September, and it shows a large increase in the number of immigrants.

PAVING CUTTERS.

Albion, N. Y., Nov. 16.—The members of the paving cutters' union in vying for the position of president of the union, have just held a convention. The convention was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present. The convention was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present.

THE POLICE.

Pittsburgh, Nov. 16.—The police of this city have just been elected to the office of president. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present.

THE BALANCE.

New York, Nov. 16.—The balance of the American Federation of Labor for the month of November, 1912, has been published. The balance shows a large increase in the number of members, and it shows that the union is in a strong financial position.

"BILLY" WILSON.

Washington, Nov. 16.—"Billy" Wilson, a member of the House of Representatives, has just been elected to the office of president. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present. The election was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present.

CONVENTION OPENS.

Rochester, Nov. 16.—The thirty-second annual convention of the American Federation of Labor convened in annual session in this city Monday morning, November 12. The convention was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present. The convention was held in the afternoon, and the members of the union were present.

FOR COMPENSATION LAW.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 16.—At the last session of the legislature of this State a special committee of senators was appointed for the purpose of investigating the conditions of the coal mines in this State. The committee was appointed for the purpose of investigating the conditions of the coal mines in this State.

